

## Message Text

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R 061505Z JAN 77  
FM AMEMBASSY LAGOS  
TO SECSTATE WASHDC 8547  
INFO AMEMBASSY MONROVIA

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E.O. 11652: N/A  
TAGS: PGOV, LI, NI  
SUBJECT: REMOVAL OF DEPUTY FOREIGN MINISTER DIGGS FROM OFFICE

REF: MONROVIA 0052

1; THOUGH EMBASSY CERTAINLY CANNOT EXONERATE DIGGS OF UNKNOWN  
IRREGULARITIES, TI MAY BE WORTH POINTING OUT THAT BY STANDARDS TO  
WHICH MOST OF THE WORLD IS ACCUSTOMED, ALL RENT PAYMENTS IN LAGOS ARE  
IRREGULAR. JUDGING FROM RENTS CHARGED FOR COMPARABLE HOUSING, DIGGS  
MUST HAVE BEEN PAYING 20,000 NAIRA (32,000 DOLLARS) A YEAR FIVE YEARS  
IN ADVANCE FOR HIS RESIDENCE, WHICH HE LOST IN EARLY 1976 WHEN  
LANDLORD DEMANDED STILL MORE.

2. RATHER THAN ACTING IRREGULARLY, DIGGS MAY HAVE LOST RESIDENCE  
(CAUSING GOL CONSIDERABLE INCONVENIENCE AND EXPENSE OF HOUSING NEW  
AMBASSADOR AT IKOYI HOTEL) BECAUSE HE PLAYED TOO STRAIGHT.  
IF HE HAD CONNIVED WITH LANDLORT IN LETTING RENT GO SKY-  
HIGH IN RETURN FOR KICK-BACK, GOL WGULD PROBABLY STILL  
POSSESS ITS LAGOS RESIDENCE.  
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## Message Attributes

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